



Virginia Green Hotels & Lodging Facilities



Residence Inn by Marriott Harrisonburg Harrisonburg, VA



Virginia Green is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices in all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. **Virginia Green** has established "core activities" specific to each sector of tourism, and these practices are considered the required minimum for participation in the program. However, **Virginia Green** encourages its participants to reduce their environmental impacts in all aspects of their operations, and this profile provides a full list of all their "green" activities. These are the activities that guests / customers can expect to find when they visit this facility.

Residence Inn by Marriott Harrisonburg

We feature fully equipped kitchens including full-size Energy Star appliances, a luxurious fitness center, a full size pool and whirlpool, complimentary hot breakfast buffet daily, complimentary high-speed internet, 37" LCD flat panel televisions with HD programming and evening socials for guests.

Virginia Green Activities

This facility pledges that they:

Offer optional linen service

- Have signage in each guest room explaining the linen reuse procedures
- Change linens only upon request
- Train housekeeping staff on our process for optional linen service
- Minimize the use of bleach and chlorinated chemicals

Recycle

- Have in place clearly marked recycling bins or provide convenient drop-off locations for guests to recycle:
- Glass Bottles
- Plastic Bottles

- Aluminum cans

Reduce solid waste

- Track overall solid waste costs
- Instruct housekeeping staff to save and reuse unopened items
- Donate excess food from events
- Have an effective food inventory control system to minimize waste
- Use water pitchers to minimize the use of single-use bottles
- Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms
- Purchase recycled-content paper-towels and toilet paper
- Remove facility and staff names from junk mail lists when possible
- Reuse scrap paper for notes
- Use electronic correspondence and forms when possible
- Properly recycle and/or dispose of thinners and solvents
- Perform preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing, and vehicles
- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides in landscaping

Use water efficiently

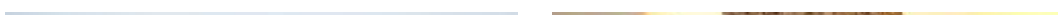
- Track overall water usage and wastewater costs
- Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
- Have landscaping that utilizes native species

Conserve energy

- Track overall energy bills
- Have had an energy audit to identify efficiency opportunities within the past 12 months
- Calculate the environmental impacts of the facility's energy usage by using a pollution calculator
- Have individual thermostats for each room; ensure they are correctly adjusted
- Regularly perform preventative maintenance on HVAC system
- Keep office doors and windows closed if HVAC system is on
- Use natural lighting (i.e., open draperies and raise shades whenever adequate light from windows is available)
- Use lighting sensors to turn on/off lights
- Have adopted a policy/practice to turn off lights in unoccupied rooms
- Have installed directional (downward-facing) lighting in parking areas and other outdoor areas
- Have adopted a policy/practice to minimize the use of lighting during night cleaning
- Use ENERGY STAR qualified appliances (commercial kitchens, heating and cooling, consumer electronics)

Offer a green events package

- Include the availability of "green meetings/conferences" in marketing packages (see the factsheet on Environmentally-Responsible Conferences & Events)





For more information on **Residence Inn by Marriott Harrisonburg**, see www.marriott.com/shdhr or contact Savanna Gurney at Savanna.Gurney@marriott.com or 540-437-7426.

For more information on the Virginia Green program, see www.deq.state.va.us/Programs/PollutionPrevention/VirginiaGreen.aspx.



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